



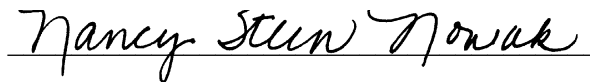
engaged in a bankruptcy proceeding when the case was filed and served on them.<sup>4</sup>

**Analysis**

The automatic stay applies to claims that were or could have been commenced before the commencement of the bankruptcy proceeding.<sup>5</sup> Plaintiffs represent that their claims arose after the filing of the bankruptcy petition.<sup>6</sup> Thus, the stay was not triggered.

Because the stay was not triggered, this case shall continue in accordance with the scheduling order.

**SIGNED** on January 6, 2011.



NANCY STEIN NOWAK  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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<sup>4</sup>Docket entry # 136.

<sup>5</sup>11 U.S.C. § 326(a).

<sup>6</sup>See docket entry # 137.